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Dear George:

I appreciate your sending Walter Hallary's latest "Political Handbook" and the copy of "Climate and Economic Development in the Tropics" under cover of your letter of January 25th.

The former I always like to keep handy for ready reference, and the latter looks like an interesting study I will want to read soon.

Faithfully,

[Signature]

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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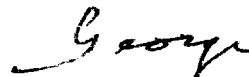
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Dear Allen:

I am enclosing herewith two new Council books which will be published on February 20th, and which we thought you would like to have. The first is the Political Handbook of the World, which you know well, and which Walter Mallory has edited now for twenty-nine years. This year, however, he is getting it out a whole month earlier than usual, though, as usual, it is still correct as of the first of the year.

The second book is Climate and Economic Development in the Tropics, by Douglas H.K. Lee, formerly professor of physiological climatology at Johns Hopkins. This book grew out of a study group which the Council organized in 1954 under the chairmanship of Mr. Heman Greenwood, and of which Dr. Lee served as director. As its title implies, the book examines what obstacles a tropical climate presents to economic development and to what extent these obstacles may be overcome. It is, in fact, the first work which examines the effects of tropical climate on the three principal ingredients necessary for effective economic development -- man, plant life and materials.

Very sincerely,



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